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1. The following troops were observed in LEIPZIG (N 52/A 21):

a. Former Nachrichten Kaserne on Danzigerstrasse: Strong unit
of troops wearing red epaulets.

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b. Former district conscription headquarters on Olbrichtstrasse:
MVD unit of about eight hundred men.

c. The other LEIPZIG kasernes were not occupied by troops.

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2. Comment:

a. The above report, according to which most of the LEIPZIG kasernes were not occupied by troops in mid-June 1949, indicates that the troops from LEIPZIG (component units of the 8th Wds Mecz Div and Hq units of the 1st Wds Mecz Army?) were holding summer maneuvers at that time (at the KOENIGSBRUECK troop training grounds?).

b. According to information of April 1949, kommandantura units had been quartered in the LEIPZIG Nachrichten Kaserne. Troops wearing red epaulets were also observed in motor vehicles in other towns of the Soviet Zone of Germany.

c. The MVD unit quartered in the former LEIPZIG district conscription headquarters is known from previous information. It was previously reported to have three hundred to four hundred men.

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